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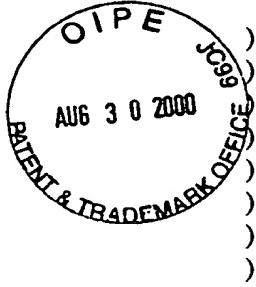
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to respond to the Official Action dated April 11, 2000:

two months to September 11, 2000; the extension fee is:

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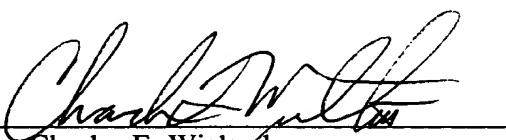
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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